

Black Caucus

(Continued from Front) leaders from across the country in a district with fifteen per cent or more black constituents to organize and mount an effective defeat of the Reagan budget cuts and a support for the budget that the CBC has recom-

mended, and they have issued eleven strategies which they believe organizations should use in order to mount a successful campaign over what it terms as "Easter Holy Week Offensive." During the Easter week, the CBC and the NBLR urge groups to request ap-

pointments, send letters and make telephone calls to their U.S. congressmen expressing their opposition to the Reagan budget and supporting the CBC alternative budget. They also suggest that organizations hold "teach-ins" on budget mobilization and/or schedule appearances at

community organization meetings for the purpose of developing strategy. These groups also urge doctors, the unemployed and city employees to join in a letter-writing campaign against the budget cuts because "... federal dollars are the largest single source of revenue

Votes Funds Cut-Off For All-White Orphanage

The Joint House and Senate Committee on Appropriations in the North Carolina General Assembly will not give state funds to two alleged all-white orphanages which have failed to sign a statement of compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

State Representative Kenneth B. Spaulding of Durham spoke at the committee hearing and argued that to provide state funds for any program or agency that discriminates against persons on the basis of

for state and local governments as well as the private sector."

Those who wish to write letters against the proposed cuts and supporting the CBC's Alternative Budget are urged by these groups to send them to their U.S. Senators and Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515.



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race is unconstitutional and is violative of the Federal and State Constitutions as well as U.S. Supreme Court decisions.

Spaulding stated that public money and taxpayer's money by law cannot be used to foster and perpetuate any program that practices racial discrimination. After Spaulding's presentation, the Committee voted not to continue the funds.

Social Security Cutbacks

Members of the House social security subcommittee, on April 1, changed the date of the annual social security cost-of-living increase from July 3 to October 3, to help achieve budget savings. The change, which would reduce payments by \$700 million in fiscal 1982 will be implemented in two stages. Instead of receiving a single cost-of-living adjustment on July 3, social security beneficiaries will get half the COLA on May 3, and the other half on October 3. This system will apply to 1982 only. After the date, COLA's will be paid once a year in October. The panel also voted to round down monthly payment checks to the nearest dollar estimating that this would save about \$45 million in 1982 and around \$500 million by 1986.

Spiritual Death

A nation that continues to spend more on military defense than on programs of social uplift is approaching spiritual death.

Martin Luther King, Jr.



The Organization of Students Interested in Minority Affairs (OSIMA) at Jordan High School declared April 9 a memorial day for the 25 missing or murdered children of Atlanta. The student body participated by wearing green ribbons and bows. Members of OSIMA and the faculty advisor will con-

tinue to wear the ribbons until the killer or killers of the children are apprehended. Shown from left are Ms. Angela Harris, Ms. Sharyn McCauley, Andrea Webb Ms. Helen Quick, Pres., Ms. Sandra Howard, and Ms. Pat Brodie Faculty Advisor.

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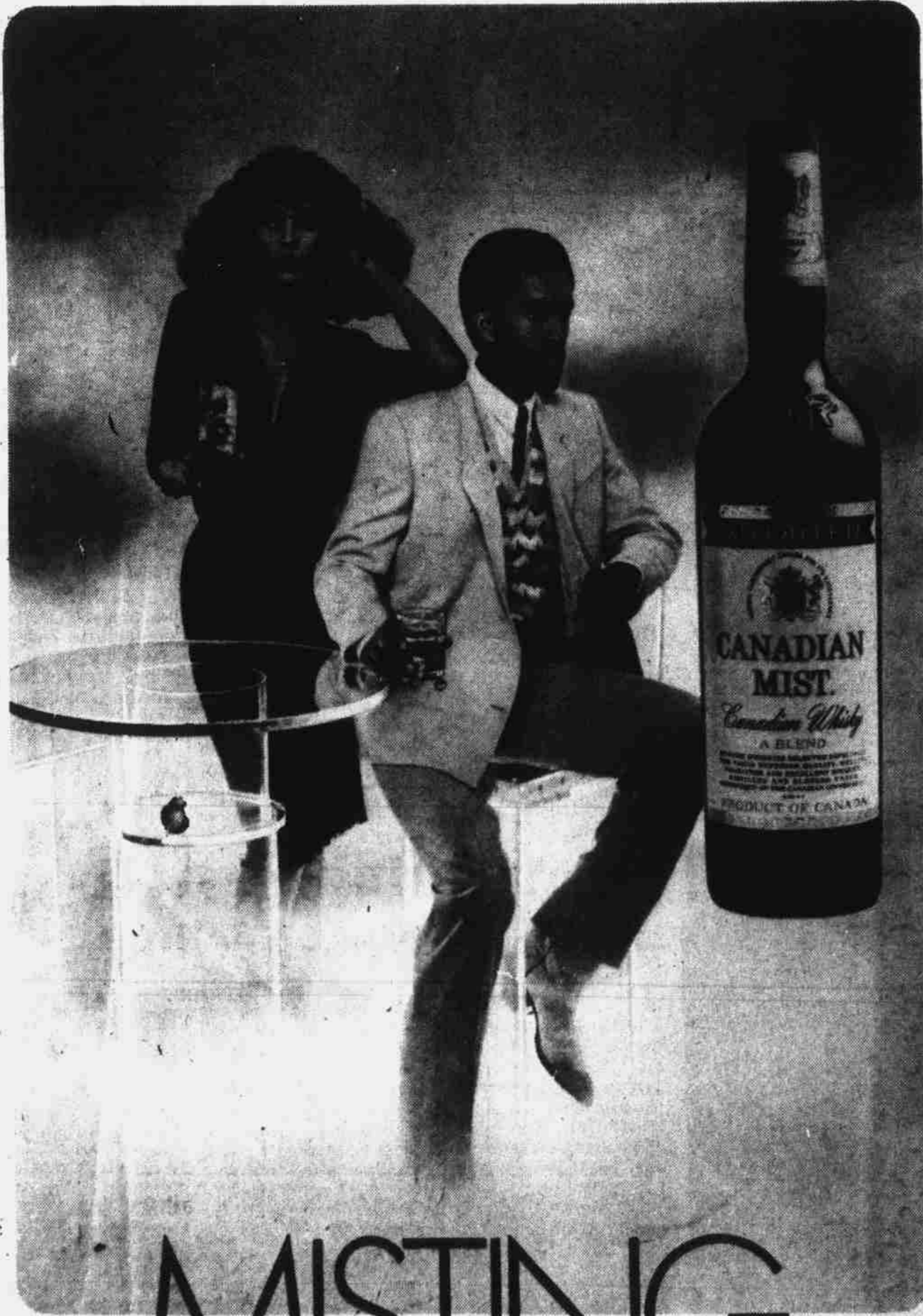
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